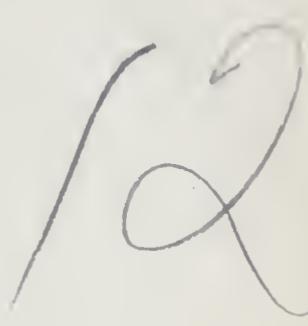






ABSTRACT  
OF  
REPORT  
OF  
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.



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# Gourgas Lodge of Perfection.

INSTITUTED JANUARY 20, 1852.



## OFFICERS.



James Kerr, Jr., 33°,	-	-	T..P..G..M..
George Porteous Balmain, 33°,	-		H..of T..D..G..M..
Arthur Benjamin Wigley, 32°,	-	-	V..S..G..W..
Alfred Sutton Bishop, 32°,		-	V..J..G..W..
James W. Brown, 32°,	-	-	Gr..Orator.
Joseph Eichbaum, 33°,	-	-	Gr..Treasurer.
John Edgar Haines, 32°,	-	-	Gr..Secretary.
Henry Hagen Arnold, 32°,	-	-	Gr..M..of C..
Charles Mathias Bartberger, 32°,		-	Gr..C..of G..
Joseph Shallenberger, 32°,	-	-	Gr..Hospitaler.
George Cruthers Johnstone, 32°,		-	Gr..Tyler.
Philip Keller, Jr., 32°,	-	-	Asst..Gr..Secretary.



## TRUSTEES.



James Kerr, Jr., 33°.

Joseph Eichbaum, 33°.

John E. Haines, 32°.

# Pennsylvania Council Princes of Jerusalem.

INSTITUTED MAY 14, 1857.

## OFFICERS.

Charles Christian Baer, 33°,	-	-	M.·E.·S.·P.·G.·M.·.
David A. Stevenson, 32°,	-	-	G.·H.·P.·D.·G.·M.·.
Lee Stewart Smith, 33°,	-	-	M.·E.·S.·G.·W.·.
William Hunt Slack, 33°,	-	-	M.·E.·J.·G.·W.·.
Joseph Eichbaum, 33°,	-	-	Val.·Gr.·Treasurer.
John Edgar Haines, 32°,	-	-	Val.·Gr.·Secretary.
Allen Campbell Kerr, 32°,	-	-	Val.·Gr.·M.·of C.·.
Joseph Shallenberger, 32°,	-	-	Val.·Gr.·Almoner.
Charles Bickel, 32°,	-	-	Val.·Gr.·M.·of E.·.
George Cruthers Johnstone, 32°,	-	-	Gr.·Tyler.
Philip Keller, Jr., 32°,	-	-	Asst.·Val.·Gr.·Secy.

# Pittsburgh Chapter of Rose-Croix.

INSTITUTED MAY 14, 1857.



## OFFICERS.



George Wilkins Guthrie, 33°,	-	M.:W.: and P.:M.:
James W. Brown, 32°,	- -	M.:E.:and P.:K.:S.:W.:
Allen Campbell Kerr, 32°,	-	M.:E.:and P.:K.:J.:W.:
Joseph Lilond Lytle, 32°,	-	M.:E.:and P.:K.:G.:O.:
Joseph Eichbaum, 33°,	- -	R.:and P.:K.:Treasurer.
John Edgar Haines, 32°,	-	R.:and P.:K.:Secretary.
Joseph Shallenberger, 32°,	-	R.:and P.:K.:Hospitaler.
Americus Vespucius Holmes, 32°,		R.:and P.:K.:M.:of C.:
Wm. St. Clair Denny Corcoran, 32°,		R.:and P.:K.:C.:of G.:
Philip Keller, Jr., 32°,	- -	Asst.:R.: and P.:K.:Secy.

# Pennsylvania Consistory, S.:P.:R.:S.:32°.

INSTITUTED MAY 14, 1857.

## OFFICERS.

James Isaac Buchanan, 33°,	-	Ills.:Com.-in-Chief.
Lee Stewart Smith, 33°,	-	Ills.:First Lt.:Com.
Harry Wade Dunlap, 32°,	-	Ills.:Second Lt.:Com.
Charles Roe Dallas, 32°,	-	Ills.:M.:of S.:and G.:O.:
James B. Youngson, 32°,	-	Ills.:Gr.:Chancellor.
Joseph Eichbaum, 33°,	-	Ills.:Gr.:Treasurer.
John Edgar Haines, 32°,	-	Ills.:Gr.:Sec'y K. of S. & A.
Oscar Christopher Ganter, 32°,	-	Ills.:Gr.:E.:and A.:
Joseph Shallenberger, 32°,	-	Ills.:Gr.:Hospitaler.
James Stevens Arnold, 32°,	-	Ills.:Gr.:M.:of C.:
Fager Jackson Shidle, 32°,	-	Ills.:Gr.:Standard Bearer.
Samuel Battles Williams, 32°,	-	Ills.:Gr.:C.:of G.:
George Cruthers Johnstone, 32°,		Ills.:Gr.:Sentinel.
Philip Keller, Jr., 32°,	-	Asst.:Ills.:Gr.:Secretary.

## Report of Finance Committee.

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*To the T.:P.:G.:M.: Officers and Members of  
Gourgas Lodge of Perfection, A.:A.:S.:R.:  
N. M. J. U. S. A., Valley of Pittsburgh.*

Your Finance Committee have audited the statements covering the period from February 18th, 1892, to February 16th, 1893, inclusive, submitted to us by your Grand Secretary, and hereunto attached, and find them in accordance with the records and vouchers of your Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer.

The total cash received during the year amounted to	\$15,794 78
Deduct fees returned to applicants,	\$800 00
Deduct dues returned to members,	4 50

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804 50

\$14,990 28

The cash receipts previous year were,	-	-	13,182 89
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Increase during the present year,	-	-	\$ 1,807 39
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From the following sources :

Fees,	-	-	-	-	\$1,395 00
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Life Membership,	-	-	-	-	60 00
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Dues,	-	-	-	-	214 75
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Interest on investments,	-	-	-	-	137 64
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\$ 1,807 39

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Our dues to Supreme Council and Council of De-						
liberation for the year amounted to	-	-				\$1,134 90
Against the previous year,	-	-	-	-		993 10
Increase,	-	-	-	-	-	<u>\$ 141 80</u>

The total general expenses for the year amounted to						\$7,750 65
Against the previous year,	-	-	-	-		7,288 78
Increase,	-	-	-	-		<u>\$ 461 87</u>

Our total outlay for banquets was increased on						
account of our large amount of work, and						
amounted to	-	-	-	-	-	\$1,691 00
Against the previous year,	-	-	-	-		954 50
Increase,	-	-	-	-		<u>\$ 736 50</u>

Some other items were slightly increased, and others						
reduced, making a net reduction on all items						
except banquets, of	-	-	-	-		\$ 274 63

We do not think any retrenchment in the matter of banquets is desirable, but rather the contrary, if anything.

We have 748 contributors to Lodge dues produce,						\$3,740 00
We have 38 contributors to Council dues produce,						76 00
Total,	-	-	-	-		<u>\$3,816 00</u>
Against previous year,	-	-	-	-		3,593 00
Increase,	-	-	-	-		<u>\$ 223 00</u>

Our interest from Permanent Fund of \$20,830.28						
at 4% amounts to	-	-	-	-		833 20
Against previous year,	-	-	-	-		664 00
Increase,	-	-	-	-		<u>\$ 169 20</u>

Our total revenue from dues and interests amounts to—

Dues,	-	-	-	-	-	\$3,816 00
Interest,	-	-	-	-	-	833 20
						<u>\$4,649 20</u>
Against previous year,	-	-	-	-	-	4,257 00
						<u>\$ 392 20</u>

At the close of the previous year we had received

for degrees not conferred,	-	-	-	-	\$ 235 00
We now hold for same account,	-	-	-	-	720 00
					<u><u></u></u>

By reason of deaths, suspensions and remissions,  
we cancelled from dues outstanding previous  
year \$342.75, leaving on the ledger at the  
beginning of present year,

	-	-	-	-	\$2,186 00
And overpaid at beginning of present year,	-	-	-	-	\$ 78 25
Less refunded,	-	-	-	-	4 50
					<u>73 75</u>
					<u><u>\$2,112 25</u></u>

During the year we collected of this amount the  
sum of

	-	-	-	-	\$1,429 50
And cancellations as above,	-	-	-	-	342 75
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					<u>\$1,772 25</u>
Outstanding, as above,	-	-	-	-	2,186 00
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Leaving still outstanding for Lodge from previous  
year,

	-	-	-	-	\$ 413 75
					<u><u></u></u>

The outstanding Council dues at beginning of the  
year amounted to

	-	-	-	-	\$ 41 50
Collected during year,	-	-	-	-	38 00
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Leaving still outstanding from previous year,

	-	-	-	-	\$ 3 50
					<u><u></u></u>

During the year we collected:

Accounts outstanding, to Lodge dues from 1891, -	\$1,429 50
Accounts, dues for 1892, - - - -	2,219 50
Total, - - - -	<u>\$3,649 00</u>

The Lodge dues receivable for 1892, amounted to	\$3,453 75
Of which there remained outstanding, account dues for 1892, at the close of the year, - -	<u>\$1,234 23</u>

The total outstanding Lodge dues at the close of the year amounted to - - - -	\$1,574. 25
Total outstanding Council dues at close of year,	<u>30 50</u>

Our cash in General Fund at close of the year, amounted to - - - -	\$6,667 45
Against previous year, - - - -	1,955 50
Increase, - - - -	<u>\$4,711 95</u>

Our cash in Permanent Fund at close of year amounted to - - - \$7,330.28	
Against previous year, - - - 5,937.50	1,392 78
Total cash increase for year,	<u>\$6,104 73</u>

Our cash balance in the General Fund being, -	\$6,667 45
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We recommend that a transfer be made from same to Permanent fund of - - - -	<u>\$4,000 00</u>
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We conferred degrees of the Lodge on -	95
Affiliated, - - - -	1
Restored, - - - -	1
Total, - - - -	<u>97</u>

And lost by death, resignations and suspensions, 30

Net increase, - - - -	67
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being eighteen in excess of previous year, and our Lodge membership, at close of the year, was 869.

Our assets increased during the year \$5,550.84, and now amount to \$45,100.64, without taking credit for advance fees. Our indebtedness is nothing.

We have found our admirable system of accounts and records in the very best shape.

In view of the increased work devolving on the Grand Secretary and his assistant, we recommend that the Grand Secretary receive an addition to his salary of \$150.00, and the Assistant Grand Secretary \$50.00 for the ensuing year.

The accompanying statements for the other bodies in the valley constitute our reports to them.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

JAMES ISAAC BUCHANAN, 33°,  
 GEORGE JACKSON GORMAN, 32°,  
 ANDREW JOHNSTON LAWRENCE, 32°,  
*Finance Committee.*

# Receipts and Disbursements,

FROM FEBRUARY 19TH, 1892, TO FEBRUARY 16TH, 1893.

## GENERAL FUND.

### *Receipts.*

Fees in Lodge,	-	-	-	\$2,925 00
“ Council,	-	-	-	1,545 00
“ Chapter,	-	-	-	2,600 00
“ Consistory,	-	-	-	3,605 00
Dues in Lodge,	-	-	-	3,649 00
“ Council,	-	-	-	78 00
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				\$14,402 00

### *Disbursements.*

Return Fees,	-	-	-	\$ 800 00
Supreme Council Dues,	-	-	-	777 00
Salaries,	-	-	-	1,583 34
Insurance,	-	-	-	212 00
Paraphernalia,	-	-	-	450 05
Printing and Stationery,	-	-	-	757 80
Books,	-	-	-	6 25
Postage,	-	-	-	482 38

Rent, - - - - -	\$1,800 00	
Sundry Expenses, Supplies and Mechanical Improvements, - -	539 39	
Banquets, - - - -	1,691 00	
Post Office Box Rent, - -	6 00	
Current for Motor, - -	90 25	
Bibles, - - - -	33 59	
Return Dues, - - - -	4 50	
Masonic Home of Pennsylvania Dues,	10 00	
Donation—Masonic Library Association,	88 60	
Council of Deliberation Assessments,	357 90	
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		9,690 05
Balance, - - - -		<hr/>
		\$4,711 95
Balance on hand February 19th, 1892,	\$4,955 50	
Transferred from General Fund to Permanent Fund, - - -	3,000 00	1,955 50
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Cash in General Fund, February 16th, 1893, - - - -		<hr/>
		\$6,667 45
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## PERMANENT FUND.

Cash on hand February 19th, 1892,	\$2,937 50	
Life Memberships (11), - -	660 00	
Amount transferred from General Fund,	3,000 00	
Interest from Savings Banks, - -	192 78	
Interest from Masonic Fund Society Bonds, - - - -	400 00	
Interest from Central Masonic Hall Association Note, - - -	140 00	
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Balance cash on hand Feb. 16th, 1893,		<hr/>
		\$7,330 28
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# Assets and Liabilities,

FEBRUARY 16TH, 1893.

<i>Assets.</i>				
Cash in General Fund,	-	-	-	\$ 6,667 45
“ Permanent Fund,	-	-	-	7,330 28
Dues Outstanding in Lodge,	-	-	-	1,574 25
“ “ “ Council,	-	-	-	30 50
One share Capital Stock of Masonic Fund Society,				
at par,	-	-	-	5 00
Ten First Mortgage 4% Bonds of Masonic Fund				
Society \$1,000.00 each,	-	-	-	10,000 00
Accrued Interest on Bonds,	-	-	-	154 44
Note of Central Masonic Hall Association,			-	3,500 00
Accrued Interest on Note,	-	-	-	58 72
Organ,	-	-	-	5,000 00
Furniture and Paraphernalia,	-	-	-	11,500 00
Total assets,	-	-	-	<u>\$45,820 64</u>

<i>Liabilities.</i>				
Fees in Lodge,	-	-	-	\$475 00
“ Council,	-	-	-	15 00
“ Chapter,	-	-	-	50 00
“ Consistory,	-	-	-	140 00
				<u>\$680 00</u>
Advance dues,	-	-	-	40 00
Total liabilities,	-	-	-	<u>720 00</u>
Surplus at close February 16th, 1893,	-	-	-	<u><u>\$45,100 64</u></u>

Surplus February 19th, 1892,	-	-		\$39,549 80
Surplus February 16th, 1893,	-	-	-	45,100 64
Gain, - - - -	-	-	-	<u>\$ 5,550 84</u>

## Membership—

February 19th, 1892,	-	-	-	802
“ 16th, 1893,	-	-	-	869
Gain, - - - -	-	-	-	<u>67</u>

## Membership subject to dues—

February 19th, 1892,	-	-	-	705
“ 16th, 1893,	-	-	-	748
Gain, - - - -	-	-	-	<u>43</u>

## Life Members—

February 19th, 1892,	-	-	-	95
“ 16th, 1893,	-	-	-	116
Gain, - - - -	-	-	-	<u>21</u>

# Gourgas Lodge of Perfection.

## MEMBERSHIP STATEMENT.

FROM FEBRUARY 19TH, 1892, TO FEBRUARY 16TH, 1893.

Fees received from 117 persons,	-	\$2,925 00	
Fees returned to 17 applicants,	-	425 00	
			<u>\$2,500 00</u>
Initiates during term, 95,	-	\$2,375 00	
Of which received during previous term			
from 13 applicants,	-	325 00	
			<u>\$2,050 00</u>
Fees received from 18 applicants, degrees			
not conferred,	-	450 00	
			<u>\$2,500 00</u>
Membership last audit,	-	-	802
Initiates during term,	-	-	95
Affiliated during term,	-	-	1
Restored to membership,	-	-	1
			<u>899</u>
Deaths—			
Life Members,	-	2	
Other Members,	-	8	
		<u>10</u>	
Withdrawals,	-	-	4
Suspensions,	-	-	16
			<u>30</u>
Membership, February 16th, 1893,	-	-	<u>869</u>

Members subject to dues last audit,	-	705	
Reduced by deaths,	-	8	
“ “ withdrawals,	-	4	
“ “ suspensions,	-	16	
“ “ life members,	-	22	
“ “ members exempt,	-	3	53
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			652
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Additions during year—			
By initiates,	-	95	
“ less life member,	-	1	
		<hr/>	94
“ affiliation,	-	1	
“ restoration,	-	1	
		<hr/>	96
Total members subject to dues,			748
Life Members last audit,	-	95	
Reduced by deaths,	-	2	
		<hr/>	93
Life Members during year, to wit:—			
By payment of \$60.00 under Article VII.,			
of old By-Laws,	-	11	
By authority of Section 1 of Article VII.,			
new By-Laws,	-	7	
By resolution under Section 2 of Article			
VII., new By-Laws,	-	5	
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Total Life Members,	-		116
Members exempt, under Section 1 of Article V.,			
By-Laws,	-		5
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Total membership,	-		869
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# Gourgas Lodge of Perfection.

## DUES STATEMENT.

FROM FEBRUARY 19TH, 1892, TO FEBRUARY 16TH, 1893.

Dues outstanding last audit,	-	-	-	\$2,107 75
Dues overpaid and refunded,	-	-	-	4 50
				<u>\$2,112 25</u>
Less by Deaths,	-	-	-	\$ 31 25
“ Suspensions,	-	-	-	231 50
“ Dues Remitted,	-	-	-	75 00
“ Withdrawals,	-	-	-	5 00
				<u>342 75</u>
				<u>\$1,769 50</u>
653 Members @ \$5 00,	-	-	-	\$3,265 00
28 “ @ 3 75,	-	-	-	105 00
67 “ @ 1 25,	-	-	-	83 75
3 “ paid,	-	-	-	25 00
				<u>3,478 75</u>
				<u>\$5,248 25</u>
Less cash received during term,	-	-	-	\$3,649 00
“ dues remitted during term,	-	-	-	25 00
				<u>3,674 00</u>
Dues outstanding February 16th, 1893,	-	-	-	<u><u>\$1,574 25</u></u>

# Pennsylvania Council Princes of Jerusalem,

## A.:A.:S.:R.:

FEBRUARY 19TH, 1892, TO FEBRUARY 16TH, 1893.

Fees received from 103 persons,	-	-	\$1,545 00
Fees returned to 5 applicants, -	-	-	75 00
Balance, -	-	-	<u>\$1,470 00</u>

Initiates during the year, 100,	-	\$1,500 00
Of which was received previous year from		
2 applicants, -	-	<u>30 00</u>
		<u>\$1,470 00</u>

Fee from one applicant, degree not conferred, \$15.00	
Membership last audit, -	815
Initiates during year, -	100
Affiliated, -	1
Restored, -	1
	<u>917</u>

### DEDUCT.

Deaths, -	10
Withdrawals, -	6
Suspensions, -	<u>13</u>
	29
Membership, February 16th, 1893, -	<u>888</u>

Members subject to dues in Gourgas Lodge of Perfection,	-	-	-	-	-	-	729
Life members,	-	-	-	-	-	-	116
Members exempt from dues,	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
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Members subject to dues who are not members of Lodge of P. in valley of Pittsburgh,	-	-	-	-	-	-	<hr/> 38
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Dues outstanding last audit,	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$37 50
32 Members @ \$2 00,	-	-	-	-	-	-	64 00
6 " @ 50,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 00
2 " paid,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4 00
							<hr/> \$108 50
Less cash received,	-	-	-	-	-	-	78 00
							<hr/> \$30 50

Membership—

February 18th, 1892,	-	-	-	-	-	-	815
" 16th, 1893,	-	-	-	-	-	-	888
Gain,	-	-	-	-	-	-	<hr/> 73

Members subject to dues—

February 18th, 1892,	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
" 16th, 1893,	-	-	-	-	-	-	38
Gain,	-	-	-	-	-	-	<hr/> 4

# Pittsburgh Chapter of Rose-Croix, A..A..S..R..

FEBRUARY 19TH, 1892, TO FEBRUARY 16TH, 1893.

Fees received from 104 applicants,	-	-	\$2,600 00
Fees returned to 5 applicants,	-	-	125 00
Balance,	-	-	\$2,475 00
Initiates during term, 101,	-	\$2,525 00	
Of which received previous term from			
2 applicants,	-	50 00	
			<u>\$2,475 00</u>

Fees from 2 applicants, degrees not con-			
ferred,	-	\$50 00	
Members last audit,	-	-	803
Initiates,	-	-	101
Affiliated,	-	-	1
Restored,	-	-	1
			<u>906</u>

## DEDUCT.

Deaths,	-	-	10
Withdrawals,	-	-	5
Suspensions,	-	-	13
			<u>28</u>
Membership, February 16th, 1893,	-		<u>878</u>

## Members subject to dues—

Lodge of Perfection,	-	-	-	721
Council Princes of Jerusalem,	-	-	-	38
Members exempt from dues,	-	-	-	5
Life Members,	-	-	-	114
Total Membership,	-	-	-	878

## Membership—

February 18th, 1892,	-	-	-	803
“ 16th, 1893,	-	-	-	878
Gain,	-	-	-	75

Pennsylvania Consistory, S..P..R..S..32°,  
A..A..S..R..

FROM FEBRUARY 19TH, 1892, TO FEBRUARY 16TH, 1893.

Fees received from 103 applicants	-	\$3,605 00
Fees returned to 5 applicants,	-	175 00
		<u>\$3,430 00</u>
Initiates during term, 99,	-	\$3,465 00
Of which was received previous term from		
2 applicants,	-	70 00
		<u>\$3,395 00</u>
Fee from 1 applicant, degree not con-		
ferred,	-	35 00
		<u>\$3,430 00</u>

Membership last audit,	-	-	-	-	-	800
Initiates during year,	-	-	-	-	-	99
Affiliated,	-	-	-	-	-	1
Restored,	-	-	-	-	-	1
						<u>901</u>

## DEDUCT.

Deaths,	-	-	-	-	-	10
Withdrawals,	-	-	-	-	-	5
Suspensions,	-	-	-	-	-	13
						<u>28</u>

Membership, February 16th, 1893, - 873

716 Members subject to dues, Lodge of Perfection.

38 " " " " Council Princes of Jerusalem.

5 " exempt from dues.

114 Life Members.

873 Total Membership.

## Membership—

February 18th, 1892,	-	-	-	-	-	800
" 16th, 1893,	-	-	-	-	-	<u>873</u>
Gain,	-	-	-	-	-	<u>73</u>

